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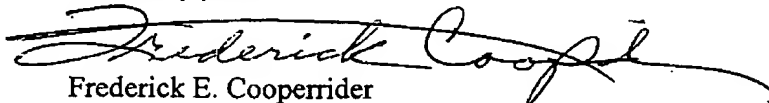
Re: Enclosed Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/372,170
Docket No.: YO998-529

Dear Examiner Smithers:

Enclosed for filing is an Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 14, 2005, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



Frederick E. Cooperrider

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In re Application of

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Serial No.: 09/372,170
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Group Art Unit: 2137
Examiner: Smithers, M.

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SECURE AUTHORIZATION AND
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 14, 2005, please amend the
above-identified application as follows: